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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF : :

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FOR: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING :
TRANSGLUTAMINASE

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed August 15, 2002, Applicants elect,
with traverse, Group I, Claims 1-35, 37-72 and 74 for further prosecution.

REMARKS

The Office has restricted this application under 35 U.S.C. § 121 as follows:

Group I: Claims 1-35, 37-72 and 74, drawn to a process for producing an active
transglutaminase; and

Group II: Claims 36, 73 and 75 drawn to a transglutaminase.

Applicants have elected Group I, Claims 1-35, 37-72 and 74 with traverse, for further
prosecution.

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